



The Neighborly Notice – Vol. 16, No. 16 – Tuesday, April 25, 2023

To subscribe to this newsletter via email, fill out this form at <http://eepurl.com/b2Rk9T>. You will then receive an automated email. Reply to this automated email to secure your free subscription.

Newsletter (PDF version): <https://bit.ly/NeighborlyNotice-2023-04-25>

1. Fourth and Gill Hosts Tour of Homes and Secret Gardens
2. Register for Final Grants Program Workshops NOW!
3. Knoxville Participates in City Nature Challenge
4. City Council Hosts Workshop to Discuss C-G General Commercial District
5. Public Officer Hearing Meets Friday
6. Trees Knoxville Hosts Two Open Houses
7. Knoxville Tree Board Creates Tree List
8. Applications for the KCHD's Youth Health Board – Now Open!
9. CAC to Host Senior Job Fair
10. [Knoxville Neighborhoods Calendar](#)

Published by the City of Knoxville's Office of Neighborhood Empowerment, we report news important to Knoxville's residential neighborhoods. Include your neighborhood-related event or meeting in this space. Call 215-3232. News deadline: 12 noon on Fridays.

Like us on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/KnoxvilleNeighborhoods>

1. Fourth and Gill Hosts Tour of Homes and Secret Gardens

Historic Fourth and Gill Neighborhood hosts its popular Tour of Homes and Secret Gardens this Sunday, April 30, 1 to 6 p.m. The tour includes seven historic homes, two historic structures, and eight open gardens to explore.

Tickets are on sale now and available [here](#). Tickets are \$20 through April 29 and \$25 on the day of the event. Children 12 and under can participate free.

Tour check-in begin at 12:30 p.m. at Central Methodist Church, 201 E. Third Ave. If you purchase your tickets Sunday, be sure to bring your receipt. This is a self-guided tour, however trolleys will be available to transport guests along the tour route. This will be a rain or shine event, and refunds will not be issued due to any inclement weather.

For more information on this event, feel free to contact 4G.HomeTours@gmail.com.

2. Register for Final Grants Program Workshops NOW!

Neighborhood groups wishing to apply for the [Neighborhood Small Grants Program](#) (NSGP) for the 2024 grant cycle must send a representative to one of the two remaining pre-application workshops. One of the final workshops is **tonight**.

NEW for this grant cycle: The person who attends the workshop **must be** the primary contact for the project.

- Pre-Application Workshop B 6 p.m. Tuesday, April 25, 2023 (In person)
- Pre-Application Workshop C 5 p.m. Wednesday, May 3, 2023 (Zoom)

You must register to attend one of these workshops by contacting Hayley Howard at 865-215-2113 or hhoward@knoxvilletn.gov. Also contact Hayley if a neighborhood representative absolutely cannot attend any of these three workshops.

Learn more about the NSGP on the [City's website](#).

A completed sample application, close-out report, volunteer match log, and expenditures sheet can also be found on the [website at the bottom of the page](#).

3. Knoxville Participates in City Nature Challenge

The Tennessee Butterfly Monitoring Network and Zoo Knoxville, in partnership with the City of Knoxville, are coordinating the [2023 City Nature Challenge](#) for the Knoxville area on Friday, April 28 thru Monday, May 1.

The [City Nature Challenge](#) is a bio-blitz, in which cities all over the world collaborate to observe as much wildlife – wild plants, animals, fungi, insects, etc. – as possible.

If you would like to join a group bio-blitz activity, head to South Doyle Middle School (3900 Decatur Drive) on **Saturday, April 29, 10 a.m.-12 noon**. Science teachers will have an established area for participants to observe plants, insects, birds, aquatic life, and other wildlife together.

If you are interested in participating on Saturday, April 29, please email Debbie Sharp at dsharp@knoxvilletn.gov so we know how many people will be joining us.

What does it mean to observe wildlife? In this case, it means to take photos of and upload to a website. You do not need to know what species something is. All you need to do is take photos and upload them.

What are the steps to observe and document?

- Download the iNaturalist app at www.iNaturalist.org to your smartphone
- Create an account for yourself
- Take photos of the wildlife at different angles, if possible, while on the app

What if you don't have a smartphone? You may still take photos with a camera and then upload them to iNaturalist later.

4. City Council Hosts Workshop to Discuss C-G General Commercial District

The Knoxville City Council will hold a workshop to review and discuss the requirements and challenges related to C-G General Commercial District this Thursday, April 27, at 5 p.m. in the Main Assembly Room of the City-County Building, 400 Main St. SW.

All are welcome to attend.

The City of Knoxville ensures meaningful access to City programs, services, and activities to comply with Civil Rights Title VI and ADA Title II laws and reasonably provides: translation, interpretation, modifications, accommodations, alternative formats, auxiliary aids and services.

To request language translation services, contact the City's Human Resources Department at titlevi@knoxvilletn.gov or 865-215-3100. For disability accommodations, contact City ADA Coordinator Stephanie Brewer Cook at scook@knoxvilletn.gov or 865-215-2034 at least 72 hours before the meeting.

5. Better Building Board Does Not Meet; Public Officer Hearing Meets Friday

The Better Building Board, which usually meets the day before the Public Officer Hearing, will not meet in April.

The Public Officer Hearing will be held this Friday, April 28, at 9:30 a.m., in the Small Assembly Room of the City County Building, 400 Main Street.

Public Officer repairs/demolition orders will be considered for the following properties:

- 1108 Beaumont Ave.
- 2358 E. Magnolia Ave.

- 1100 Tennessee Ave.

The City of Knoxville ensures meaningful access to City programs, services, and activities to comply with Civil Rights Title VI and ADA Title II laws and reasonably provides: translation, interpretation, modifications, accommodations, alternative formats, auxiliary aids and services.

To request language translation services, contact the City's Human Resources Department at titlevi@knoxvilletn.gov or 865-215-3100. For disability accommodations, contact City ADA Coordinator Stephanie Brewer Cook at scook@knoxvilletn.gov or 865-215-2034 at least 72 hours before the meeting.

6. Trees Knoxville Hosts Two Open Houses

Urban Canopy Works and Trees Knoxville, in partnership with the City of Knoxville, is helping the city evaluate its tree cover and get input from residents, business owners, property owners and major landholders about what the community wants to do moving forward with regard to the tree canopy.

Two open houses are scheduled for community input:

Virtual Urban Forest Master Plan Open House

- Thursday, May 4
- 6-7:30 p.m. via Zoom
- Registration is required, [available here](#)

In-Person Urban Forest Master Plan Open House

- Thursday, May 11
- 4-7 p.m. at the Cansler YMCA, 616 Jessamine St.
- Presentations will be given at 5 p.m. and again at 6 p.m.
- Registration is not required – just show up.

If you cannot attend any of these, you can invite someone from the team to attend your next meeting or fill out the online [survey](#).

7. Knoxville Tree Board Creates Tree List

The City's Urban Forestry department provides many resources for tree owners at KnoxvilleTN.gov/Trees, including a list of trees ([PDF](#)) recommended for property owners by the City of Knoxville Tree Board. This list is a great resource for choosing the right tree for your property. Five different lists present the following options:

- Small trees, for those needing a tree to fit next to a home or around utility lines.
- Medium trees, which may be a good choice for those wanting to have some shade but may be limited in the space the tree will grow.
- Large sized trees, which will provide the most benefits for a property.

- Fruit and nut trees, which may be worth exploring if interested in an edible option.
- Screening trees for those property owners looking to grow something for some privacy.

The tree list prioritizes trees that grow in East Tennessee and outlines different characteristics, like fall color, flowers, growth rate, shade-friendly, trees that grow in wet areas, and those trees that grow well in urban areas. Trees for urban areas are go-to trees to plant in areas with poor soil conditions.

The City of Knoxville tree list is also used for the recommended tree list for new development and projects that require landscaping according to the City zoning code. The City of Knoxville Tree Board amends the list and at times adds and removes trees, such as those trees that may become a nuisance to the public.

If you have any questions or comments on the City of Knoxville Tree List, please email the Tree Board at treeboard@knoxvilletn.gov.

8. Applications for the KCHD's Youth Health Board – Now Open!

The Youth Health Board (YHB) is accepting applications from Knox County high school students. The program provides a learning opportunity in the field of public health and other health-related professions. The deadline to apply is Monday, May 1.

“Students on the Youth Health Board gain life experience that they can take with them into college and their daily lives,” said Taylor Evans, public health educator for Knox County Health Department (KCHD). “Students get to be involved in projects within their own community and network with professionals. It’s also a great place to meet students with similar goals and passions from different high schools.”

Monthly meetings feature guest speakers and volunteer opportunities that enable students to explore and act on issues affecting our community, such as mental health, emergency preparedness, physical activity, nutrition, and adolescent health issues.

Youth Health Board applicants will need to commit to the following:

- Serving a one-year term, May 2023 - April 2024
- Attending monthly meetings
- Attending a minimum of two Social Focus meetings
- Serving a minimum of 15 hours through various volunteer and public health community events

Visit the [Youth Health Board page](#) to learn more about the program and to submit an application.

For more information, please email Taylor.Evans@knoxcounty.org.

9. CAC to Host Senior Job Fair

Are you 50 years or older and looking for employment? If so, CAC has an opportunity for you!

CAC will host a Senior Job Fair on May 10, 9 to 11 a.m. at the O'Connor Senior Center, 611 Winona St. Everyone 50 years or older is welcome to attend and consider employment opportunities. Opportunities will be available in fields such as:

- Clerical
- Retail
- Service Industry
- Home Healthcare
- Hospitality
- And More!

Bring copies of your resume to the event! For more information, visit the [CAC website](#) or call 865-524-2786.

10. Knoxville Neighborhoods Calendar (click link for online calendar)

Call 865-215-3232 to include your neighborhood event or meeting in [this Google calendar](#).

The City of Knoxville ensures meaningful access to City programs, services, and activities to comply with Civil Rights Title VI and ADA Title II laws and reasonably provides translation, interpretation, modifications, accommodations, alternative formats, auxiliary aids and services.

To request language translation services, contact the City's Human Resources Department at titlevi@knoxvilletn.gov or 865-215-3100. For disability accommodations, contact City ADA Coordinator Stephanie Brewer Cook at scook@knoxvilletn.gov or 865-215-2034 at least 72 hours before the meeting.

Other Calendars

Additional online calendars that cover events outside the neighborhood realm include:

- [Arts & Culture Alliance](#) (There's More to Knoxville)
- [Arts & Fine Crafts Center Classes](#) (City of Knoxville)
- [City of Knoxville General Calendar](#)
- [Parks and Rec Community Programming](#)

The City of Knoxville requires a permit to operate a short-term rental property. Details and a list of short-term rental permits are located on the City's website [here](#).

About This Newsletter

- ** This Advisory is produced on most Tuesdays of the year.*
- ** Ideas and contributions are welcome. We reserve the right to edit submissions.*
- ** Deadline for news & calendar items: 12 p.m. Fridays.*
- ** May be copied and forwarded via neighborhood email lists and newsletters.*
- ** See past issues at our website: <http://www.knoxvilletn.gov/neighborhoods>*
- ** Don't have internet access? Call 865-215-4382 if you need a copy of a particular document.*